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Amendments to the specification

Please amend the paragraphs [0008], [0029] as follows:

Another object of the present invention is to provide a variable optic attenuator ~~comprises~~comprising a mount having precisely formed reference surfaces to achieve precise arrangement of reflectors with respect to input and output fiber thereby ensuring proper operation and quality of the attenuator.

The channel 61 is defined between two platforms ~~491~~ 493, 492 that are substantially flush with each other for supporting the mount 40. The mount 40 is configured to be snugly received in a cavity 63 defined in the chassis 49 and firmly supported by the platforms ~~491~~ 493, 492.